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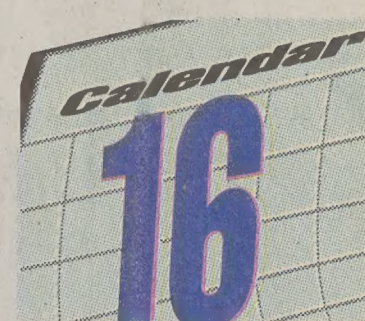
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LDS church provides shelter to thousands

By JESSICA BURTON
Universe Staff Writer

Several church meeting houses in Montreal and Ottawa were without power, so a number of generators from the bishop's storehouse in Indianapolis were shipped up to that area for use," said Don LeFevre, manager of Print Media Relations for the LDS Church.

"The Church has helped us a great deal. The generators provide enough power for the whole building," Delisle said.

He also said that the LDS Church has provided many families with smaller generators to heat and power their homes.

In addition to the generators, the LDS Church also donated more than 4,000 blankets for distribution by the

days at least 3 million people were without electricity, but now there is probably only 1 million."

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Man dies in copter crash

By JESSICA LARSON
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A helicopter crashed into the canyon near Strawberry on Wednesday night killing the pilot and another person. Chief of Police Van Wagoner of the city said the pilot was hunting coyotes and the tail rotor hit some of the passenger.

A 10-year-old Allen Carter was reported missing Wednesday when the two men returned to the launch pad, 20 minutes in Spanish Fork Canyon.

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Rescue team members transport a victim after he was ejected from a helicopter when it crashed in Spanish Fork Canyon.

five feet of freshly fallen snow.

Driving snowcats and snowmobiles, rescue crews finally reached the wreckage early Thursday morning. Van Wagoner said they stressed a quick rescue because a snow storm was expected to drop two more feet of snow. If weather circumstances were different they would have stayed at the site until morning, Van Wagoner said.

Rescue crews brought Cornwall

down the canyon through Heber. Carter came down through Spanish Fork Canyon, where he had family waiting. Carter was treated at a nearby hospital for minor injuries and later released.

Cornwall worked for the Utah Department of Agriculture's predator control program. He had contracted Carter's chopper to help him track coyotes.

Sharp rise in forged checks linked to local drug problem

By JESSICA MORRIS
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The reason methamphetamine is so popular is because it can be made just about anywhere, Clark said.

The laboratory for the drug can be set up in something as small as a suitcase or as large as a room.

Often, students are targets for people who steal checks, regardless of the motive behind the theft.

Leatham said students have their checks stolen a fair amount of time and advised students to maintain control of their possessions.

"If (criminals) see an opportunity to take a check they'll take it," he said.

Leatham said individuals would take advantage of unlocked cars, taking items left inside.

"Don't leave purses, wallets, day planners or valuables in the vehicle," Leatham said. "People think they (can) hide their purse and they're safe. (The thief) will break a window and look in the regular hiding places," he said.

Leatham advised people to contact authorities and the bank if checks are stolen.

Travis Stringham, manager of the Wells Fargo Provo Branch, said typical losses from forged checks went up from \$45 million in 1995 to \$145 million in 1996.

"It's a constant battle," he said.

Stringham said four or five security features have been implemented on

Wells Fargo checks to prevent forgeries.

One of these security features is finger printing. Anyone who cashes a check at Wells Fargo and does not have an account, is fingerprinted.

Although the banks have lost a lot of money over forgeries, Leatham said the ultimate victim is the merchant.

Gale Clark, manager of Red Coyote in Provo, reported receiving a bad check Tuesday. She said bad checks can take away a month of earnings.

"It kind of hurts my feelings, because we trust all our customers. It goes from hurt, to mad," she said.

The Red Coyote lost over a \$1,000 in bad checks in 1997 and Clark said the money has not yet been recovered.

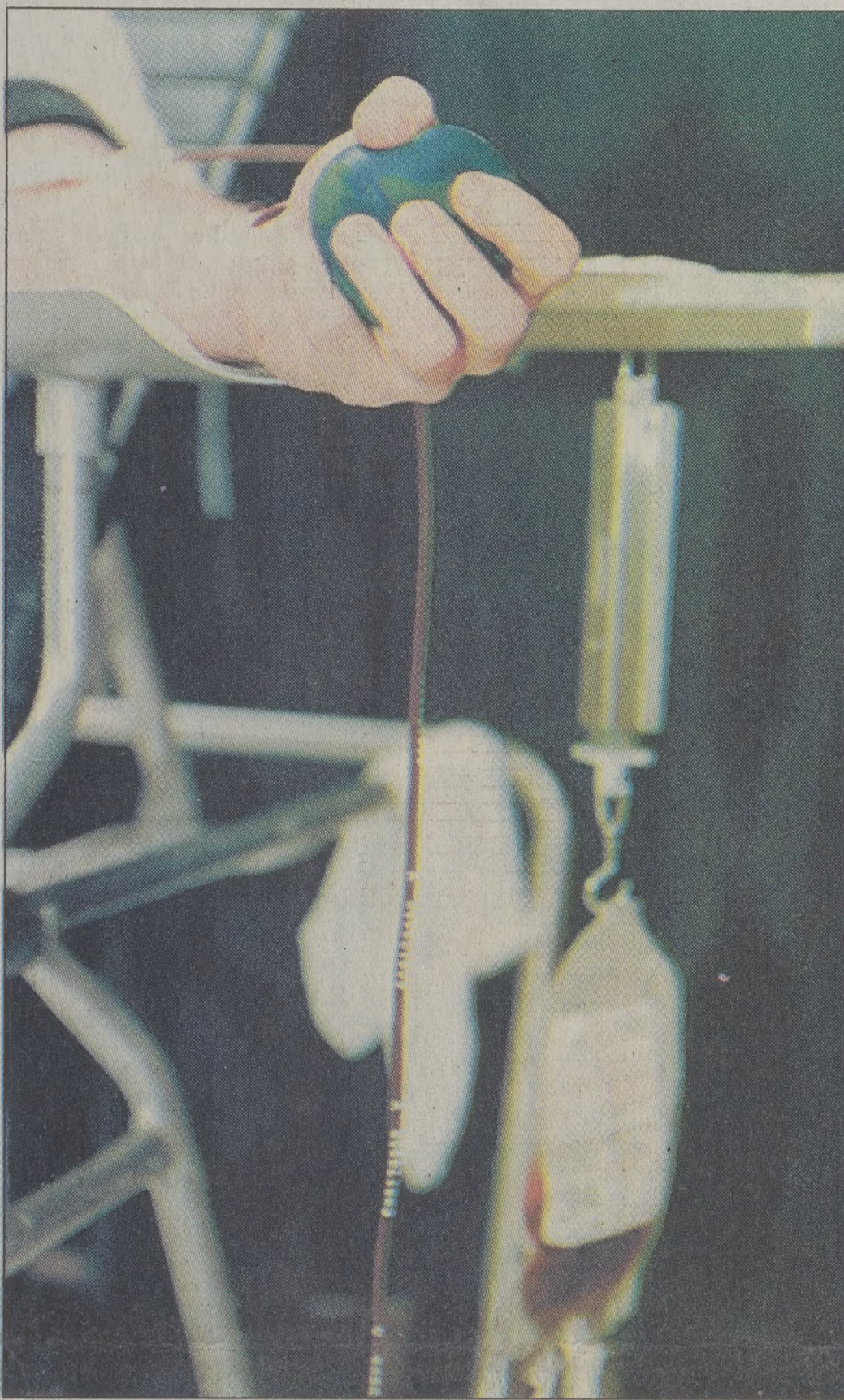
"I'll never see that money as long as I live," she said.

Karen Mayne, public safety information bureau supervisor, said they expect citizens to safeguard their checkbooks. Also, they expect merchants to follow the proper identification procedures.

"Merchants should require two forms of identification," Mayne said.

Ideally, merchants should check two forms of identification, Mayne said.

Mayne also said stealing checks constitutes forgery, a third degree felony. Depending on the amount of money stolen, a criminal could be in jail from five years to life.



Holding the world in the palm of his hand

Nat McArther, a freshman from St. George, majoring in zoology, pumps his blood using a small globe while giving blood in the Wilkinson Center Thursday afternoon.

Fred J. McGuire/Daily Universe

Candlelight walk to honor rights, show gratitude

By JESSICA GLEASON
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BYU's annual Walk of Life is an opportunity for students, faculty and community members to join together to show gratitude for what others have done to further human rights.

Everyone is welcome to join the candlelight procession at 6 p.m. on Monday as it winds from the Carillon Bell Tower.

The walk will end at the Wilkinson Center terrace, where a speech will be given to honor Martin Luther King Jr.

Clips from King's 1963 "I Have a Dream" speech will be shown and refreshments will be served.

The theme of the 1998 Walk of Life is "Living the Dream," referring to King's speech from the steps of the Washington, D.C. Lincoln Memorial, in which he said, "I have a dream that my four children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character."

Brian Mitchell, faculty advisor for BYU's Black Student Union, is excited about the Walk of Life's increasing turnout over the years and its purpose to keep King's dream alive.

According to BYUSA representatives, 400 to 500 people attended last year.

Mitchell said as awareness of discrimination increases, BYU students will be more able to fight against it.

"Until you feel what it's like to be truly discriminated against, you can't 'fight for the cause,' even if you are willing to do so," Mitchell said.

The Walk of Life gives participants a better understanding of what activists like King were working

against. Wynante Sewell, a student director of the Black Student Union, participated in last year's Walk of Life.

"The purpose of the Walk of Life is a gathering of people from all walks of life," she said.

As the walk proceeds, the participants reflect on the life and actions of Martin Luther King, Jr. Sometimes they sing as they walk.

"It is just a spiritual experience," Sewell said. Monday's event marks the beginning of Black History Month.

BYU celebrated it last year with a speech by Myrlie Evers, the widow of slain civil rights activist Medgar Evers.

The Faith Temple Gospel Choir also performed to celebrate Black History Month, and there

was a fashion show, as there will be this year.

Marguerite Driessen, a BYU law professor, will be speaking Feb. 19 at the Wright Leadership Seminar. Movies documenting the human rights movement will be shown on campus during February.

Jessica Brown, a student assistant at BYUSA, said the Walk of Life has two primary purposes.

It helps participants to remember what leaders like King and Evers did to improve our country by influencing such milestones as the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Act of 1965.

Also, it reminds those who join the walk that there is still work to be done in human rights.

Mitchell said human rights are only going to improve "when each generation tries to make a difference. When (BYU students') kids grow up, this place has got to be a better place than it is now."

Geneva lays off workers

By CHANTELE TURNER
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Geneva Steel announced Thursday an immediate lay-off of 100 staff and support personnel.

The one-third reduction affected personnel employed in accounting, marketing, engineering, public relations and human resources, according to a news release.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Joseph A. Cannon said Geneva Steel, based in Vineyard, is looking at reductions in staff, management and hourly workers.

"We sincerely regret the impact on the employees involved and their families," Cannon said in a news release. "But we believe that these measures are necessary to accomplish our long-term objectives."

Cannon said with the booming job growth in Utah, he hopes the laid-off workers will find good jobs.

Having adopted an approach to become "operationally excellent," the company has undergone a redesign through reduction in personnel and equipment to allow production of a low-cost product, Cannon said.

This business model is being used by many of the most successful companies in the industry, Cannon said in a news release.

He said the personnel reduction is only one step in a long-term process.

Other changes include shutting down Geneva Steel's heavy gauge shear line and foundry resulting in an additional lay-off of 80 employees, Cannon said.

He did not say when that would occur.

Cannon said that Geneva must pick their market, rather than be all things for all people.

The company manufactures steel plate, hot-rolled coil, pipe and slabs. In order to remain competitive in the domestic market, the main focus has shifted to steel plate and pipe.

"The closure of the two marginally profitable operations are part of the company's continuing effort to affect pervasive and systematic change throughout the Company," Cannon said in a news release.



News Briefs

Compiled from staff and news service reports

Winter Olympics spokesman resigns

SALT LAKE CITY — Mike Korologos has resigned as spokesman for the Salt Lake Organizing Committee. He was displaced after Frank Joklik replaced Tom Welch as SLOC president and hired Shelley Thomas to a newly created post of senior vice president of communication. "I've resigned to look at some options that have become available, and to do some writing, golfing, consulting and skiing," Korologos, 61, said Wednesday. "We are in the process of formulating the right structure and best system possible for an effective media-relations department as we move toward the 2002 Winter Olympics," Thomas said. In other action, it was announced Wednesday that the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association will join seven other companies as a joint sponsor of the 2002 Winter Games and the U.S. Olympic teams through 2004. The Deseret News said the contract is worth between \$27 million and \$50 million.

Sixty-year-old woman gives birth

CARDIFF, Wales — A 60-year-old woman in Wales has become Britain's oldest mother, according to news reports Thursday. Elizabeth Buttler gave birth to a healthy boy, Joe, on Nov. 20. Press Association, the British news agency, said it had confirmed a 1937 birth date for Mrs. Buttler. The world record for the oldest mother is held by Rosanna Della Cotta from Viterbo, Italy, who was 62 when her child was born. Mrs. Buttler became pregnant without fertility drugs, according to The Express and The Daily Mail newspapers. "He's my little miracle and he makes me feel like a young woman again," The Daily Mail quoted her as saying. Kathleen Campbell, who was 55 when she gave birth in 1987, is listed as Britain's oldest mother in the Guinness Book of Records.

Boat collision kills 5, leaves 1 injured

INTRACOASTAL CITY, La. — A boat of six duck hunters collided with a vessel and the body of one of the dead hunters was recovered Thursday. The Coast Guard found the body of Margaret Maddox in remote Freshwater Bayou, where the hunters' 28-foot aluminum boat collided with the 110-foot Gear Tide. Visibility at the time was 1 to 1 1/2 miles and it was raining, the Coast Guard said. One hunter, Matt Dobson of Franklin, Tenn., survived and is hospitalized in stable conditions with a broken leg. No one aboard the Gear Tide was hurt and the entire vessel's crew was tested for alcohol and drug use, said Coast Guard Lt. Glynn Smith. Among those killed was T. Wayne Robertson, 47, of Winston-Salem, N.C., Mrs. Maddox's husband, Dan Maddox, 88, of Nashville, Tenn., and the hunters' three guides — brothers Norman and Aladdin Stelly of Forked Island and Bryant Vincent of Intracoastal City.

2 escaping pigs win British hearts

LONDON — Two little piggies went to market — or they almost did, before they escaped from the slaughterhouse moments ahead of their intended doom. The pigs' flight triggered a bounty hunt, with the British public rooting for the fugitives. Faced with offers of sanctuary from across the country, their owner agreed Thursday to spare the porkers if they are captured. The Express, a national tabloid newspaper, pledged to buy the creatures and send them to an animal sanctuary. Television helicopters have been scouring the countryside, and a pig hot line set up by a local radio station has received a steady flow of reported sightings. Not surprisingly, animal rights activists have joined the fray. "I hope the next time these people tuck into bacon or pork chops, they remember these pigs," Chris Dessent, a spokesman for the Vegetarian Society, said Thursday.



Weather

Yesterday			Today		Saturday	
High	43	as of				
Low	32	5 p.m.				
Precipitation			Showers		Mostly cloudy	
Yesterday	.24"		High	low 40s	High	mid 40s
Month to date	2.10"		Low	mid 20s	Low	mid 30s
Season	7.18"					

Sources: BYU Geography Dept., The Weather Channel

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Scripture of the Day

"Oh that thou hadst hearkened to my commandments — then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea."

— 1 Nephi 20:18

Robert Turley likes this scripture because "it's a beautiful verse admonishing us to keep the commandments and stay strong in the faith." Robert is a sophomore from Provo majoring in economics.

Driver hits girl, leaves scene

Universe Services

A girl was hit by a car at 1750 N. 100 East in Pleasant Grove Thursday around 6:15 p.m. The car left the scene of the accident after inquiring after the condition of the girl. Both adults and children who witnessed the accident said Tiffany Brown, 9, was playing with her friends when she saw a car coming and tried to scurry across the street. Witnesses said that after the driver of the car heard Brown say that she was hit by a car, the driver left quickly. Brown was transported to the American Fork Hospital, and nursing supervisor Brant Gurney said that she is in stable condition with sustained leg and facial injuries. Officer Doug Eastman is concerned about the safety of the intersection. "This intersection is very busy and poorly lit," he said. Eastman said witnesses described the vehicle as either a white Volkswagen Jetta or a white Ford Tempo, but they have no description of the driver.

Utah lawmaker defends proposed English-only bill

By CANDICE MADSEN
Universe Staff Writer

A proposed bill making English Utah's official language is stirring up controversy.

Rep. Tammy J. Rowan defended the merits of her proposed bill during a debate Thursday at Utah Valley State College with Larry Echohawk, a BYU law professor and former Idaho Attorney General. Utah House Bill 189 would prohibit the state, its political subdivisions or employees from conducting government business or printing information in any language but English.

Rowan said she believes the bill will bring unity to Utah, save money and lead to economic empowerment of immigrants.

However, Echohawk and other opponents of the bill claim it will do the opposite.

"This bill sends the wrong message," Echohawk said. "It is based on insensitivity and intolerance. It is anti-immigrant."

Rowan said the bill is pro-immigrant and does not threaten the preservation of other cultures by requiring every Utah citizen to learn English.

Similar measures have passed in 23

New spacewalker aw

Associated Press

MOSCOW — American astronaut David Wolf ventured into open space for the first time Thursday, floating outside the Mir for nearly four hours on a mission to examine the orbiting Russian station's outer hull.

Unlike some previous spacewalks, the cursory inspection of the Mir was not crucial and scientific accomplishments were minimal. Just as important was the experience it provided a U.S. astronaut outside a space station.

Wolf had the most experienced partner he could ask for — Russian flight commander Anatoly Solovyov, who has logged about 82 hours in 16 spacewalks, seven since he arrived on the Mir in August.

"Take a picture of me," Wolf told Solovyov, who was filming the walk. "This is a big moment in life."

The two began the walk just after midnight Moscow time (4:12 p.m. EST Wednesday) with the Mir high over the southeastern Pacific and sealed the hatch back up a relatively uneventful 3 hours, 52 minutes later.

Because Wolf was a rookie spacewalker, ground controllers gave more detailed instructions than usual.

Wolf, a 41-year-old doctor, engineer and pilot from Indianapolis, has been

aloft since September.

The sixth American to live on Mir, he is a replacement for a NASA astronaut who was too small for a Russian spacewalking suit.

Wolf, who remained inside the Mir during spacewalks by his two Russian colleagues, clearly was impressed by the experience, even saying at the end of the spacewalk that he didn't want to go in.

"Wow!" he uttered while looking at the stars during one break.

Playing tour guide, Solovyov told him: "David, turn around and you'll see the Earth behind your back," pointing out Cairo, Tel Aviv and a long stretch of populated coastline lit up at night. "Look how beautiful it is."

Footage beamed back live clearly showed an air leak from the hatchway on the space outpost's Kvant-2 module, with a white residue visible around the rubber seal that encircles the hatch.

The leak was not serious, and the crew used a smaller adjacent compartment to don and remove their bulky suits for spacewalks.

Solovyov and Wolf tried to seal the hatch more tightly when they fastened the nine main locks and 10 additional locks at the end of the walk.

Mission Control Solovyov said ordered to determine the degree of aging space. The two spacewalk NASA photo-reflect the degree of aging space.

At one point, observer Control saw the Russian face with the brilliant Atlantic Ocean in the background.

Told a few minutes was above Africa, Solovyov said, "Yeah, I saw zebras running."

Before wrapping up the mission, the crew offered some careful praise for the battery. "This great space station is operating continuously said in front of the view, we hope that we can design material for the new space station."

The 12-year-old station expected to last only a few years, but it has survived a series of accidents.

The current crew has been back to nearly 20 times there have been no major problems recently.

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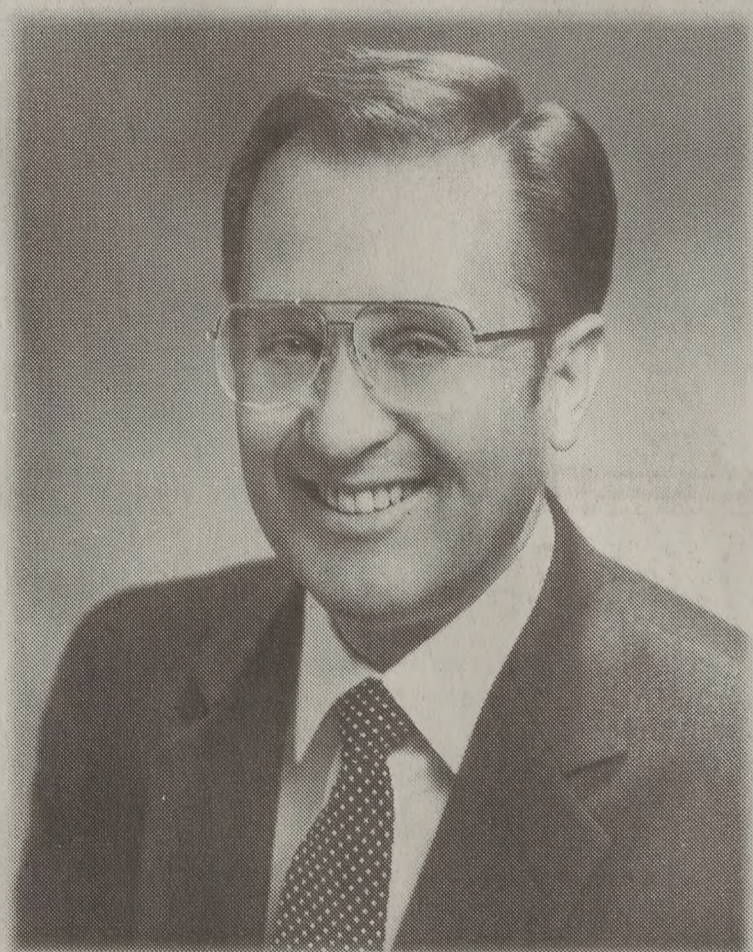
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Elder Jack H Goaslind

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Elder Jack H Goaslind was called as a member of the First Quorum of the Seventy in 1978. He is currently serving as a member of the presidency of the Seventy, where his assignments are executive director of the Curriculum Department, Young Men general president, and chairman of the General Church Scouting Committee.

Elder Goaslind has served in many Church leadership positions, including two calls as a regional representative and his first call to full-time service as president of the Arizona Tempe Mission. At the time of his mission presidency call, he was

vice president of Affiliated Metals, Inc.

He is a recipient of the Honorary Master M-Men Award, presented by President Harold B. Lee. He received the Silver Beaver Award in 1994 and the Silver Buffalo Award in 1995 for his services to the Boy Scouts of America.

A Salt Lake native, Elder Goaslind graduated with a bachelor of science degree from the University of Utah. Later he served two years as an Air Force officer. He married Gwen Caroline Bradford in the Salt Lake Temple in 1953. They are the parents of three sons and three daughters—and they enjoy their grandchildren.

ated Press

— A photo history of the civil rights movement opened the 50th anniversary of the death of Martin Luther King Jr.'s birth, before a nationwide tour. The exhibit, at the National Museum of African American History, the exhibit continues from the period of the 1954 Supreme Court ruling outlawing school segregation to 1968 when King was shot in Memphis, Tenn. The exhibit shows King being shot, a large mural of King in the foreground, and a large mural of King in the background. The exhibit is a tribute to King's life and his impact on the world.

all Overcome," the exhibit is on Washington until March 1, then heads for San Jose, Calif., where it opens Feb. 21. Later, it will make two stops in

the snow

ated Press

— Maine — Gertie and her family had to be shoveled out of their house and delivered to a hospital in 1920. The family was hit by a blizzard, and the house was buried under a foot of snow. The family was rescued by a neighbor, and the house was cleared out. The family was then taken to a hospital, where Gertie was born. The family was then taken back to their house, and the snow was cleared out.

ice storm, which has hit the state for a week, "is the worst in 50 years," the 97-year-old woman said. The freezing temperatures in Milbridge and other towns across central Maine.

city electricity still was out, 20,000 utility customers in New York City, 18,000 in New York City, and 1,500 in Vermont and 1,500 in

million customers still without power in Canada, most-

Council

DREY WOOD
Staff Writer

Council members passed a resolution to annex up to 100 acres into Lehi city limits at a meeting Tuesday.

to annex land east and north of the city's boundary were approved by city council members. The public had the chance to voice their concerns.

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One planned stop for next year is Birmingham, Ala., the scene of some of the most dramatic confrontations between civil rights demonstrators and local authorities in 1963.

Yet some important events in the history of the civil rights movement will not be included.

No photo of the Memphis hotel where King was shot will be included in the exhibit, because of a decision by the curator Robert Phelan.

"Of course it was a tragic and terrible event," Phelan said in an interview, "but I thought there were a lot of positive lessons to learn from persons involved in the movement."

The assassination "is a valid part of American history and world history but my decision was based on what I talked about with the photographers, which was to focus ... on the opportunity to look at events through the eyes of participants."

He suggested that the exhibit has been widely booked, because it has visual as well as historic appeal.

"By 1958, the FBI had investigated 50 plots to kill him," Richard Lischer, a professor in the Divinity School at Duke University, wrote of King.

In a book called "The Preacher King," Lischer said the victim foresaw his own assassination.

"Morning after morning," he quoted King as saying, "you will get up and look into the faces of your children and your wife, not knowing whether you will get back to them because you know that you are living every day under the threat of death."

A petty criminal named James Earl Ray confessed to the murder. He was sentenced to 99 years in prison but withdrew the confession almost at once and asked for a new trial. It has been repeatedly refused.

A congressional investigation in 1978 concluded that Ray was part of a

conspiracy based in St. Louis.

Last year, King's son, Dexter, threw his support unsuccessfully behind Ray's plea for a new trial, saying questions about the murder had not been answered and he feared Ray would die in prison.

Ray suffers from cirrhosis of the liver and at 69 has been given only a short time to live. He has not been able to get a transplant.

After this year's stops, other cities have scheduled to host the exhibit, according to Marquette Folley of the Smithsonian Institution:

- In 1999: Albany, N.Y.; Danville, Va.; Birmingham, Ala., and Philadelphia.
- In 2000: Greensboro, N.C.; Jackson, Mich.; Jackson, Miss.; Columbia, S.C., and Tacoma, Wash.
- In 2001: Brunswick, Ga.; Alexandria, Va., and Jackson, Miss.
- In 2003: Evansville, Ind.
- In 2004: Miami, Fla.

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At least a foot was forecast for southwest New Hampshire and more than 6 inches for the rest of New Hampshire and southern and central Maine tonight and Friday. But the National Weather Service said Thursday the storm could pass to the south and spare the region any heavy snowfall.

"We don't need a heavy snowstorm on top of all the problems we've got now. Not that we have any control over it, but we're certainly hoping," said Art Lester, a National Weather Service meteorologist in Gray, Maine.

Canadians faced an extra hardship with below-zero temperatures early Thursday — the coldest weather since an ice storm knocked out power 10 days ago.

The storm and subsequent power outage are blamed for 16 deaths in Canada. At least 12 deaths in Maine

and New York were linked to the storm, including seven carbon monoxide poisonings from heaters or generators used in poorly ventilated areas.

Vice President Al Gore arrived in Maine Thursday for a helicopter tour of the hard-hit Lewiston area. Headed in the opposite direction were homeward-bound, out-of-state utility workers who have endured long hours and bitter cold. They will be replaced by dozens of trucks and crews being airlifted Thursday from Pope Air Force Base in Fayetteville, N.C.

"This additional help from North Carolina is a shot in the arm," Maine Gov. Angus King said.

"It's the modern day equivalent of the calvary coming in the nick of time," he said.

The National Guard and L.L. Bean have donated parkas, long underwear and other winter wear for utility work-

ers from the warmer South. Several eastern Canadian utilities also were sending crews to help.

Mrs. Phinney, who lives alone, did not leave her pink, cedar-shingled house overlooking a coastal inlet even after power lines were ripped from the home in the storm. After all, she has her gas stove and furnace, a couple of kerosene lanterns and a 72-year-old son, Charlie, who hauled water to her.

"There's no reason to leave," Mrs. Phinney said with a smile as she sipped tea and clutched a cane honoring her as the community's oldest resident. "No one asked me to leave. I'm not complaining. I'm very well off."

But there are lots of other people worried in Down East, one of Maine's most rugged, isolated areas. The storm's ravages on the power transmission system have shut down two seafood businesses that together employ 120 people.

DREW YARDLEY WOOD
These Staff Writer

Council members passed motions to annex up to 1,000 acres into Lehi city limits at a meeting Tuesday night.

The city council will vote to annex land east and south of the city's boundary. The council also approved by city council members for the public had the chance to voice their concerns.

Diana Webb of Lehi Public Works said landowners and developers want to be included in city boundaries to obtain water rights and sewer services.

"Though the land may not be immediately sub-divided for home or business construction, developers want to secure these rights," Webb said.

The proposed land will move into a 60-day protest period, where the public can voice their opinions and con-

cerns to city officials regarding the annexation of this land.

City council member Johnny Barnes said he was particularly pleased with the decision to annex land located near the Lehi city border.

With large amounts of growth from businesses, such as Micron Corporation, Lehi residents proposed a bill in November 1997 that would control growth in Lehi. The bill did not pass, leaving opportunity for growth and development in the Lehi

"We have hired 150 employees for the facility up to this point. We plan on hiring a total of 300 to 400, where 60 percent are locals," said Harold Kilgore, Micron site manager.

Sandi Schwartz, a Lehi resident of four years, said she is supportive of growth as long as it is organized.

"It seems like Lehi is exploding. I'm not opposed to growth, as long as it is well-planned without random construction."

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Provo Canyon to be safe from landslides

By KATHRYN R. PETERSON
Universe Staff Writer

Increased safety features and completed excavation along Provo Canyon are expected to relieve many travelers this year.

"Now that a cement barrier has been built between the rock slide areas and highway, the chance of falling rock injuring passing traffic is very minimal," said Jeff Baird, project engineer for the Utah Department of Transportation.

Despite problems caused by rock slides in the past, the new barrier is expected to keep the area safe.

"There have been few minor accidents involving falling rocks hitting passing vehicles," Baird said.

"Steep slopes, water, wind and

melting snow are all causes of the ever present rock slides in Provo Canyon," he said.

"Anytime there's a steep slope or frost activity, natural erosion takes place," Baird said.

As a warning to travelers Baird said everyone must be aware that material comes down from the mountain slopes almost all the time. However, he said, if anything rolled down the mountain the barrier would stop it.

A second lane was opened in November, allowing easier access to traffic. The second lane also provided a buffer zone in the event sliding rocks from high slopes would come down across the highway and hit the vehicles.

"When we open the highway to

four lanes there may be a higher possibility of danger because of more rock erosion," Baird said.

Retaining walls were built on both sides of the highway designed to prevent future erosion and to minimize the footprint of the road in the canyon, Baird said.

Engineers over the Provo Canyon project created a computer program to model how effective the concrete barrier would be if rocks fell from a high slope.

Chad Pollard, an engineer with UDOT, said there is a 0.1 percent chance that rocks would fall beyond the concrete barrier. The effectiveness of the barrier is partially determined on how well it is maintained. Construction might damage the barrier.

Inspection team at core of controversy

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS — Iraq shrugged off the U.N. Security Council's protest over the barring of an American-led inspections team, while the United Nations said it had photographs showing that Iraq had tested chemical and biological weapons on animals.

In Iraq, for the third day in a row, U.N. teams searched for banned weapons without former Marine Scott Ritter's squad. Iraq has barred inspections by Ritter's team, complaining that it is overloaded with Americans and Britons.

U.N. officials say the American-led team had been seeking evidence that Iraq may have conducted chemical weapon experiments on prisoners several years ago.

On Tuesday, Iraqi U.N. ambassador Nizar Hamdoun wrote the Security Council that Iraqi officials blocked Ritter's team because Ritter had claimed that Iraq sent prisoners to a secret location in summer 1995, "where tests of chemical and biological agents had been performed on them."

Hamdoun denied any human experiments and claimed Ritter's team was simply seeking to discredit the Iraqi government by drawing attention to unsubstantiated charges.

CBS News reported Wednesday that the United Nations had "photographic evidence" of Iraqi experiments on humans, including pictures showing "human arms scarred with lesions."

But Ewen Buchanan, spokesman for the inspections teams, said investigators had found a single photograph showing an arm with lesions, in an August 1995 trip to an Iraqi chicken ranch owned by Saddam Hussein's son-in-law.

Buchanan said it was unclear when or where the picture was taken.

"The photograph that was referred to by one American television network is not, in the view of (the inspectors), evidence of experimentation on humans," U.N. spokesman Fred Eckhard said.

Eckhard also said videotapes were discovered showing experiments on dogs.

The head of the U.N. inspection pro-

gram, Richard Butler, left for Baghdad late Wednesday to press for full access to all sites. He met French officials in Paris Thursday before traveling on to the Middle East.

On Wednesday, even Iraq's allies on the Security Council joined in a unanimous council statement deploring Iraq's refusal to allow the team to conduct inspections.

In Washington, President Clinton said: "I am very encouraged that even those who had been more sympathetic to Iraq saw through this totally unacceptable action. Now we have to see what happens."

But Hamdoun said Baghdad would not budge. He renewed demands that the United Nations reduce the "dominance of the American citizens" on the inspection program.

"I think that we have lost our sensitivity to United Nations' Security Council statements," Hamdoun said on NBC-TV's "Today" program.

Butler, an Australian, said the American-led team looked for documents Monday — the same day Iraq announced its ban on the team — about the possible use of biological agents on prisoners. He said documents from 1994 and 1995 were missing.

U.N. officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said they had other evidence about possible tests on humans, but refused to elaborate.

The 1995 discovery of the picture, videotapes and other materials hidden at the chicken farm was the most important discovery made by U.N. inspectors trying to determine the extent of Iraq's chemical and biological weapons programs.

So far, however, the inspectors have been unable to find conclusive evidence of tests on humans, in large part because Iraq has refused to hand over files.

Defense Secretary William Cohen, traveling in Asia this week, said Clinton remains focused on diplomatic options to end what is the latest in a series of standoffs over inspections.

"Any consideration of questions surrounding use of force are premature and hypothetical at this point," Cohen said Thursday in Singapore.

Should Clinton choose to use force, Cohen said he was confident that

America's Gulf War allies would "help the United States."

"We have not reached that point yet," he added.

Russia's defense minister, Igor Sergeev, stressed Thursday that neither his country nor France — both Security Council members — "want to settle the problem in a military fashion."

In an attempt to end the standoff and blunt Iraqi criticisms of alleged American dominance, Butler hired three Chinese weapons experts on Wednesday.

China appealed to Iraq to cooperate with weapons inspections, but Foreign Ministry spokesman Shen Guofang also said in Beijing that "legitimate concerns of Iraq as a sovereign state should be respected."

China, a permanent member of the Security Council, previously had kept a low profile in confrontations between the United Nations and Iraq over sanctions the U.N. imposed for Baghdad's 1990 invasion of Kuwait, which led to the Persian Gulf War.

U.N. inspectors must certify that Iraq has eliminated its weapons of mass destruction before the U.N. trade sanctions can be lifted.

In Iraq Wednesday, three Americans began what they said would be a three-day hunger strike outside arms monitors' Baghdad headquarters to protest the sanctions.

Israeli, Palestinian troops draw

Associated Press

KHAN YUNIS, Gaza Strip — Israeli and Palestinian troops trained assault rifles on each other in a suspenseful 20-minute standoff Thursday, in a dramatic demonstration of rising tensions in the days before crucial peace talks in Washington.

Israel's Cabinet started work Thursday on strategy for what will be the core issue of next week's talks with President Clinton — the scope of an Israeli troop withdrawal in the West Bank.

Thursday's confrontation started when about 400 Palestinian demonstrators blocked a main thoroughfare near the Palestinian town of Khan Yunis, leaving several Israeli cars stuck on the road.

Dozens of Israeli soldiers, apparently fearing the vehicles would become an easy target for attack, took up positions with their rifles trained on the demonstrators. Palestinian policemen then arrived, aiming their rifles at the Israeli troops.

The two sides lowered their weapons after about 20 minutes, but remained at the scene until the demonstrators dispersed.

In another confrontation about a mile away, Israeli troops opened fire on a Palestinian taxi, shooting a passenger in the leg when he opened the door.

It was not immediately clear why the soldiers fired.

Israeli-Palestinian animosity has been rising this week, ahead of Clinton's meetings with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat. Next week's talks are seen as critical for the future of Mideast peacemaking. Should they fail, fresh violence in the region is likely.

Arafat has hinted at new clashes, saying that all Palestinian options remained open. Asked Thursday to explain further, Arafat said: "I am worried about the whole region."

Israeli security officials believe the Palestinians have hoarded weapons and conducted assault training in preparation for a possible violent conflict with Israel, the Maariv daily reported Thursday. The Israeli army has carried out its own exercises under the code name "Indian Summer," the report said.

The Israeli Cabinet hardened its positions on peace talks this week. The ministers said Israel would hand

over West Bank land only if the Palestinians meet a 12-page list of demands, most dealing with security. They also decided that in a final peace accord, Israel must retain vast areas of the West Bank — land the Palestinians want as part of a future state.

That decision, Palestinian peace negotiator Saeb Erekat said Thursday, "is a unilateral declaration by Mr. Netanyahu that we no longer have a peace process." Erekat said he has received Israel's list of conditions and dismissed them as "distortions and half-truths."

Israel's Cabinet may set general parameters for a West Bank withdrawal, but probably will not decide on the specific size of a pullback, said David Bar-Ilan, the prime minister's senior adviser. A final decision was not expected until Sunday.

Clinton expects Netanyahu to present plans for a significant and speedy troop withdrawal when the two leaders meet Tuesday.

Thursday also marked the anniversary of the U.S.-brokered Hebron accord in which Netanyahu pledged to carry out three pullbacks in the West Bank by mid-1998.

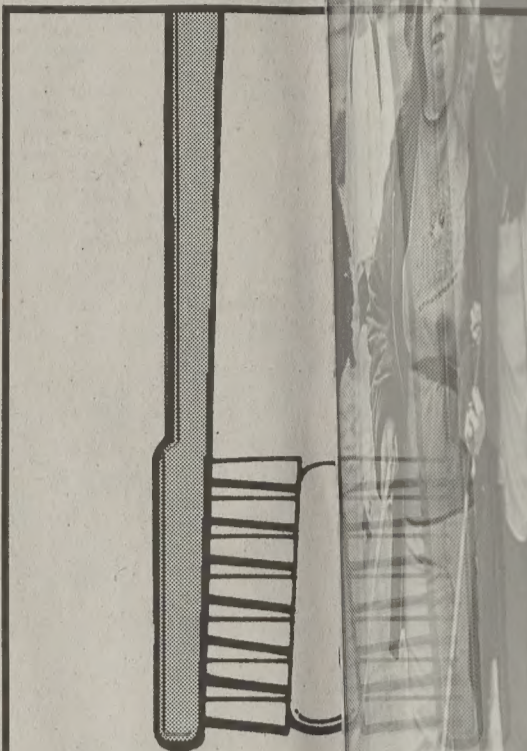
Israel's first offer in March to hand over 2 percent of the land was rejected by the Palestinians as insufficient. The second pullback is two months overdue.

Netanyahu has said he was no longer bound by the withdrawal timetable because the Palestinians have not fulfilled their promise to crack down on militants. Netanyahu has said he was ready to carry out one pullback, not three, before beginning talks on a permanent peace agreement.

Maariv reported that Netanyahu planned to propose a single pullback from 9 percent to 12 percent of the West Bank when he meets with Clinton. If the Palestinians insist on an additional withdrawal, each pullback would be smaller in size, Maariv

said.

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Students acquire disabilities for D.A.R.E.



By MARLIESE FILLMORE
Universe Staff Writer

This week BYU students got a taste of what it's like to be disabled by maneuvering around campus in wheelchairs, wearing eye patches or pretending to be deaf and mute.

The main efforts of the Disability Awareness Week campaign were the Disabled Achievement Recognition Experience.

Students were invited to pick one of nine different handicaps at random and go around campus with this disability.

After recording their reactions to the experience on a questionnaire and watching a thirty-minute video about BYU students with disabilities, participants received a free T-shirt.

While many students admitted that they took the DARE challenge to get the T-shirt, others seemed genuinely interested in experiencing what the many disabled students on campus experience.

"I think it's a really good idea. I felt silly and like everyone was staring at me. People with disabilities are really treated differently," said Shawn Rice, a sophomore from Greensboro, N.C., majoring in civil engineering.

Most participants agreed that dealing with their acquired limitation was

awkward and inconvenient, but Jason Lusk, a junior from Rochester, N.Y., majoring in statistics, who is blind, doesn't describe his situation this way.

"I was told a long time ago that life isn't a spectator sport, and so I don't sit around feeling sorry for myself,

but go out and do things," Lusk said.

He proudly admits that since he lost his sight to a tumor in his optic nerve at the age of 14 he has "made lemonade" with the lemons that life has given him.

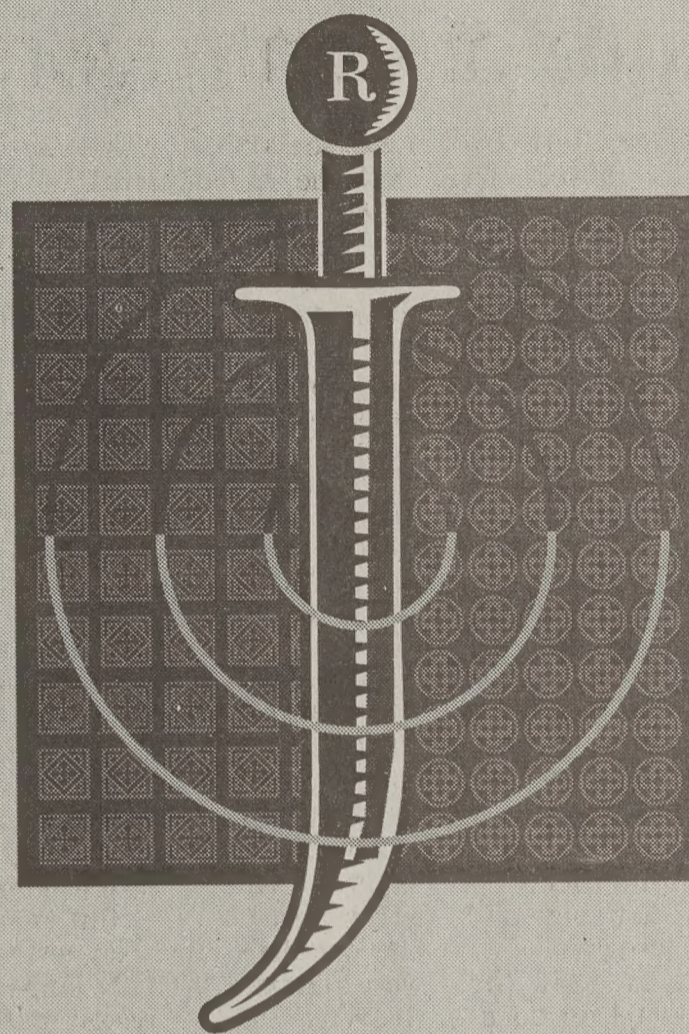
With the help of his seeing eye dog, Ingram, Lusk is able to travel around

campus and do whatever is needed. After graduation, he intends to work as an actuary for an insurance company.

Disability Awareness Week is one of many efforts to educate and inform BYU students to make this campus one of understanding and unity.

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to study traffic, hire consultant

AMY FOX

Universe Staff Writer

Heading into uncharted traffic study territory. The city will be hiring a consultant to work on traffic issues, which will not only address capacity, but also estimate projections, solutions to traffic calming

meeting, the city council accepted bids and proposals and has approved the study. Mayor Billings said part of the study will include the development

of a new classification system for streets. The classification system will identify the street's capacity, size and possibly even specific types of traffic.

"Just about every community in the country is wrestling with this same problem. They're waiting for everybody else to do it," said City Engineer Nicholas Jones.

Another issue discussed in the meeting was the amount of information the study needs to address. Council members suggested the study be broken up so it will not be an impossible task.

"The consultant is going to have to be almost a deity to get this done," Mayor Billings said.

Provo has 108,000 residents and is

growing at a rate of 2.8 percent a year, projected through 2020.

With the traffic problem in existence and the estimated increase in growth, the council members are overwhelmed with the task.

"This is going to be very frightening and very expensive," said Greg Hudnall, council chairman. "I think we are going to get this study and be scared by the findings ... but the reality is (that) we are still growing and we probably should have done this 10 years ago."

Provo city hopes that bringing in an outside consultant will bring viable solutions to the traffic problems that exist in Provo.



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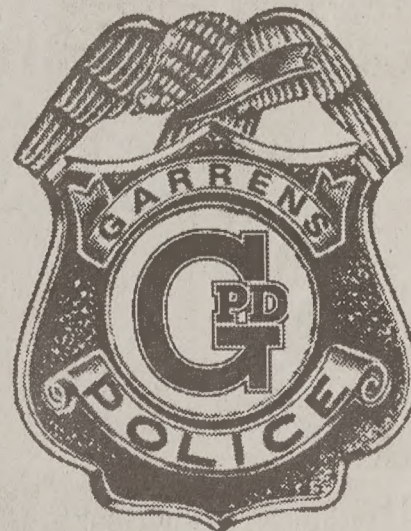
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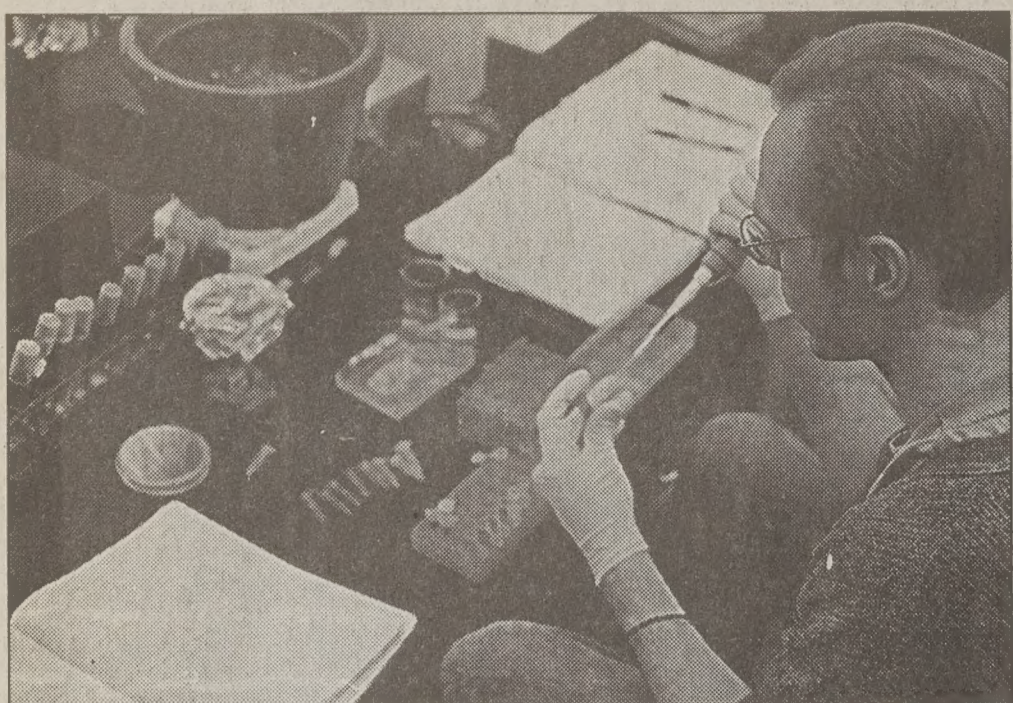
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Student gets hands-on experience

Joseph McLaughlin, a graduate student in biochemistry, works with nucleic acids in the BioChem lab.

Foreign students tell about old life

By MARLIESE FILLMORE
Universe Staff Writer

A panel of three Southeast Asian BYU students conveyed their strength and pride in their heritage Thursday morning in 1081 JKHB as they participated in BYU's multi-cultural program.

They hope to use this panel to help others here and in their homeland.

"How hard it is to see people all around you dying where we come to town to wash. And how hard it is to forget," said Prom Tim, a junior originally from Cambodia, majoring in international relations.

Tim related his tragic background of life in Cambodia before immigrating to the United States in 1981.

Although bombarded with the memory of his devastated homeland, Tim has adjusted well to his new life in the United States.

"I lived in the jungle, so it was quite a shock to arrive in Washington, D.C. and drink a Coke," Tim said.

He hasn't let the trauma he knew in Cambodia darken his life, he said. Instead he is furthering his education and social life. He is grateful for his new life and the chance to do things his parents wanted to do.

Tim said it is important to remember his heritage.

"I hope someday to return to my hometown, if it's still there, and help where I can," Tim said.

He said the greatest gift he could share with them would be the gospel of Jesus Christ, something he feels strongly about since joining The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Another panel member, Sheng Her, a native of Laos and a sophomore studying pre-medicine, adjusted quickly to her life away from the refugee camp where she lived before coming to the United States.

Telephones and televisions were new and fascinating to Sheng Her upon her arrival in the United States, but it didn't take long to adjust to a more technologically advanced life.

The main conflict she has with the western world arises from the traditional values she maintains from her native culture.

Although Sheng Her said she has felt occasional isolation and rejection at BYU, she still sees her experience here as a blessing.

She said she understands people's suffering and hardships. She hopes to return to Laos someday and "stop all the dying."

This desire strongly influenced her decision to go into medicine, she said.

Ning Phengratsamy, the third panel member and Thailand native, is a sophomore and has not declared a major.

While Phengratsamy said her homeland was oppressive, she said it taught her to honor and respect her parents.

"Having a diverse background helps me to see things in more than one way. Women aren't regarded highly in Thailand, and I am shy because of it, but I know how to listen and be a good friend," Phengratsamy said.

Phengratsamy said she enjoys the warm spirit at BYU, but appreciates the richness and beauty of her native culture. Like Tim and Her, she would like to travel to her homeland again, primarily to visit her dad.

Police Beat

By JARED GOOCH
Universe Staff Writer

THEFT:

Tuesday a gold watch with a silver band was stolen from the men's locker room of the Richards Building. The victim, who is a faculty member, had just gotten the locker combination but dropped the paper that had the combination written on it. Someone else read it and opened the locker. The watch was valued at \$200.

Sunday a stapler and two Jaz disks were taken from a professor's office at 571 WIDB. The office may have been left unlocked when it was used by ward clerks earlier that day.

A hard-drive and motherboard were removed from a computer stored in the closet of 2170 JKHB. The missing parts were valued at \$450.

Two students playing basketball Jan. 9 were approached by a group of younger children who asked if they could play.

After being told that only BYU students could play, they left the gym. A few minutes later the students found that their wallets, which they had left by the door, were missing.

Sometime between New Year's Eve and New Year's Day, a white pickup truck shell was stolen from the Wymount Terrace parking lot. The

owner had taken the shell off his truck the day before.

A CD player and purse were stolen from a car parked at the Smith Family Living Center parking lot Dec. 21.

Dec. 16, at approximately 5 p.m., a student discovered that her car had been entered. No damage had been done to the car, but it had a strong smell of tobacco and someone had spit on her backpack. A can of air freshener and three gift certificates to the SuperSonic Car Wash were the only items missing.

A 29-year-old student left a white Dodge van with a digital cell phone on the driver's seat in the parking lot by the J. Reuben Clark Law Building. He left the door unlocked. When he returned later that evening, the door was locked and the phone, valued at \$225, was missing.

A wallet was stolen from the third floor of the Harold B. Lee Library sometime between Dec. 15 and Dec. 17. The victim accidentally left the wallet there and later received an account statement from a woman's clothing store. The thief had apparently charged around \$100 to the victim's account.

At the LDS Motion Picture Studio, 75 feet of electrical cable valued at \$75 was taken from a warehouse of the CVE Construction Company.

Snowslides cause canyon to close

Universe Services

After a series of snowslides late Thursday afternoon, Little Cottonwood Canyon was closed.

One of the snowslides, a natural avalanche, buried two cars. The victims were found unharmed.

The snowslides blocked the road leading to the Alta and the Snowbird ski resorts, according to an Associate Press news release. Police and ski resort officials said the slides did not cause any injuries or damage.

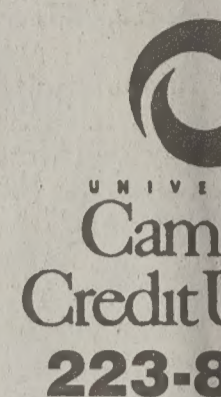
Lorraine Fry, executive office manager at Snowbird ski resort, said police closed the canyon to allow avalanche control work to proceed.

"They will blast the canyon all night long to ensure the safety of the skiers," Fry said.

Little Cottonwood Canyon has been closed and reopened several times this week because of snowslides caused by heavy storms.

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able with this and even considered
quitting the part. Then another alter-
native presented itself.

"He just spoke to the director
about his feelings about taking the
Lord's name in vain. The director
ended up changing the script
accordingly," said Randall Boothe,
his Young Ambassadors director.

Sharlene Wells Hawkes was with
the Young Ambassadors from 1983-
1984 and went on to become Miss
America after she graduated from
BYU. She is now married and has
four children, along with a record-
ing career.

"It's all a matter of keeping your
priorities in line. Always my family
comes first," she said.

As for the secret to her success,
she says there really was none.

"I was really surprised by the Miss
America experience," she said. "I
grew up in South America, so the
first Miss America Pageant that I
ever saw was the one I competed in.
I was always looking for scholarship
opportunities to pay for my school-
ing expenses, and one thing lead to
another until I found myself at the
Miss America Pageant."

"The only thing that separated me
from the other Young Ambassadors
was that they had talent and I did
not," she said. "I was never the star

of the show."

Since then she has written and pro-
duced two LDS gospel albums.

Dan Truman met his wife through
the Young Ambassadors and now
plays piano for the country band
Diamond Rio. The band has two
albums that have gone platinum.

Another Young Ambassador grad-
uate, Michelle Riggs, has performed
as both Eponine and Cosette in
Broadway's "Les Miserables."

Randall Boothe, who has directed
the Young Ambassadors since 1977
when the troupe was known as
"Sounds of Freedom," has traveled
to over 50 countries with the group.

"The Young Ambassadors, who
have really excelled in life, all had
three things in common," Boothe
said.

"They all had a dream that they
believed in, they were all incredibly
determined, and they were all
upbeat and enthusiastic about life."

The Young Ambassadors' only on-
campus show for this year will be
performed tonight and Saturday
night at 7:30 p.m. in the de Jong
Concert Hall. The show is called
"The Neighborhood" and set in a
'50s suburban neighborhood.

Tickets are \$7 with student ID and
\$9 for general admission. Call 378-
HFAC for tickets or information.

FRIDAY

COMEDY: The Garrens Comedy
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205 JRCB. The show will feature new
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pianist/composer Jon Schmidt. Tickets
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on sale at the show.

SATURDAY

STORYTIME: The Cat in the Hat will
be at Barnes & Noble, 330 E. University
Parkway, Orem, on Saturday at 11 a.m.
and 1 p.m. Parents, bring the kids, and
bring a camera to take photos of the
youngsters standing next to a huge cat.

ROCK MUSIC: Local favorite Chump
will perform at Wrapsody Live, 117 N.
University Avenue, Saturday at 8 p.m.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY
INTERNATIONAL CINEMA: Four
very old silent films are showing at
International Cinema, 250 SWKT, this
weekend. First is Russian director
Sergei Eisenstein's first film, "Strike"
(1924, 66 minutes), about a labor strike
in a rural factory. It will be shown at

6:40 and 10:25 p.m. today; 12:50, 4:40
and 9:25 p.m. Saturday. Charlie
Chaplin's classic "The Rink" (1916, 20
minutes) has the legendary comic actor
stealing the show at an ice-skating party.
It shows at 5:40 and 11:40 p.m. today;
6:05 and 10:45 p.m. Saturday. "Coney
Island" (1917, 20 minutes) has Buster
Keaton doing his regular thing. It will
be shown right after "The Rink," at 6
p.m. today; 6:25 and 11:05 p.m.
Saturday.

"The Birth of a Nation" (1915, 129
minutes) is one of director D.W.
Griffith's most famous movies, telling
the story of the Reconstruction of the
South after the Civil War. The film
helped established motion pictures as an
art form. It will be shown at 3:15 and 8
p.m. today; 2:10 and 7 p.m. Saturday.
Admission is free with IC card; \$1 oth-
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JAZZ: Good-ol'-days singer Rosemary
Clooney will perform with the Utah
Symphony at Abravanel Hall, 123 W.
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Saturday at 8 p.m. Clooney rose to star-
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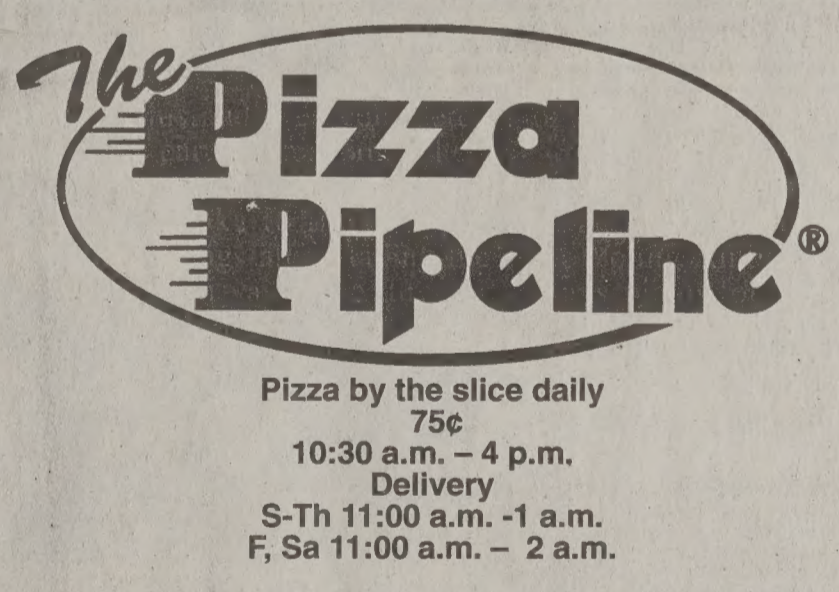
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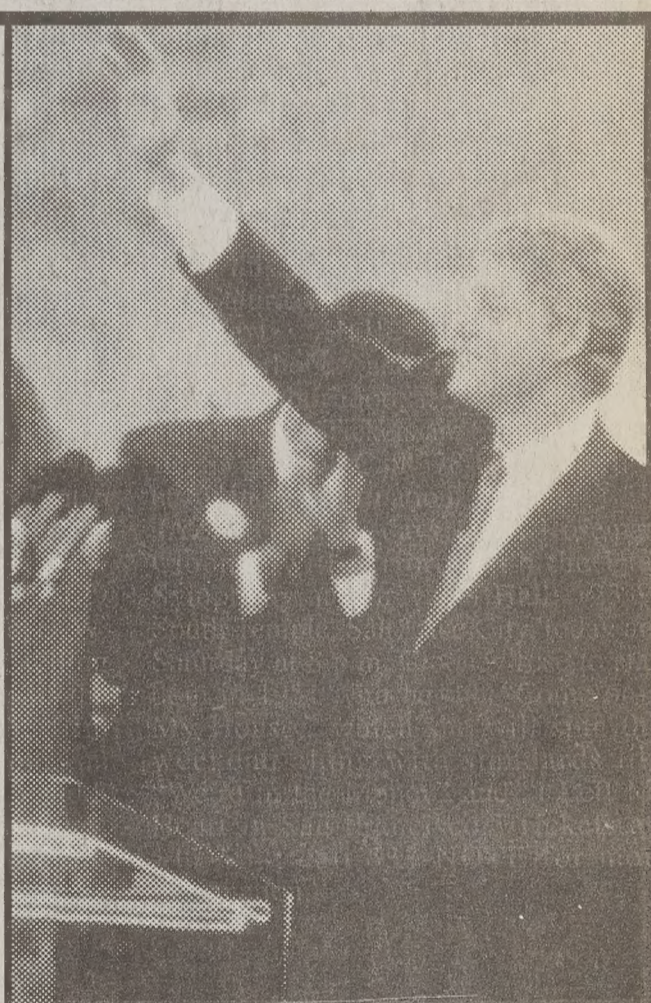


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BYU notches first WAC win since '96

By ADAM WHITTEN
Universe Sports Writer

BYU earned its first victory ever in the expanded WAC by beating Wyoming 60-41 in front of 7,986 fans at the Marriott Center Thursday night.

BYU (6-10 overall, 1-1 in the WAC) held the Cowboys to six points for the first 15:15 of the second half.

Wyoming's 41 points broke the record for the fewest points scored by a BYU opponent since the shot clock was instituted.

"Our match-up zone really worked well in the second half," coach Steve Cleveland said. "This was a solid defensive effort tonight."

Ron Selleaze once again led the Cougars in scoring with 16 points. Danny Bower came off the bench to score 15. Bower tied a Marriott Center record for three-point accuracy by making all five of his attempts.

"It's imperative that we knock our threes down," Bower said.

"When we hit our threes, it keeps teams honest."

The Cougars' ability to hit the perimeter shot made it easier to score inside, Cleveland said. BYU hit 45 percent (9-20) of their three point attempts as compared to only 13 percent (3-23) shooting for Wyoming.

"We're a lot better when we hit our threes," Cleveland said. "It allows us to do things inside. We have a balanced attack."

Cleveland closed practice this week following the Utah game. He said the team was emotionally spent after that game and that he needed his team's total attention. The Cougars responded by jumping out to a 25-9 first half lead. Wyoming closed the gap to six points, trailing only 31-25 at half-time.

Cleveland issued a challenge to junior guard Brian Hamilton before the game to hit some big shots. Hamilton said this relaxed him because he knew his coach had confidence in him. He responded with two first half three point baskets.

"I've been in a scoring slump, and I needed to step it up," Hamilton said. "Coach challenged me to make two (three point shots) in the shoot around before the game and I did that."

Selleaze's presence opened the perimeter for spot-up shots, Bower said. This allowed for uncontested shots, something that was rare in Saturday's loss to Utah, he said.

"We challenged our players to make baskets when they count," Cleveland said. "Every pass is monumental because we have to work so hard to score."

BYU's non-conference schedule has prepared the team for WAC opponents, Cleveland said. The Cougars will not be in awe of any team they play the rest of the season, he said.

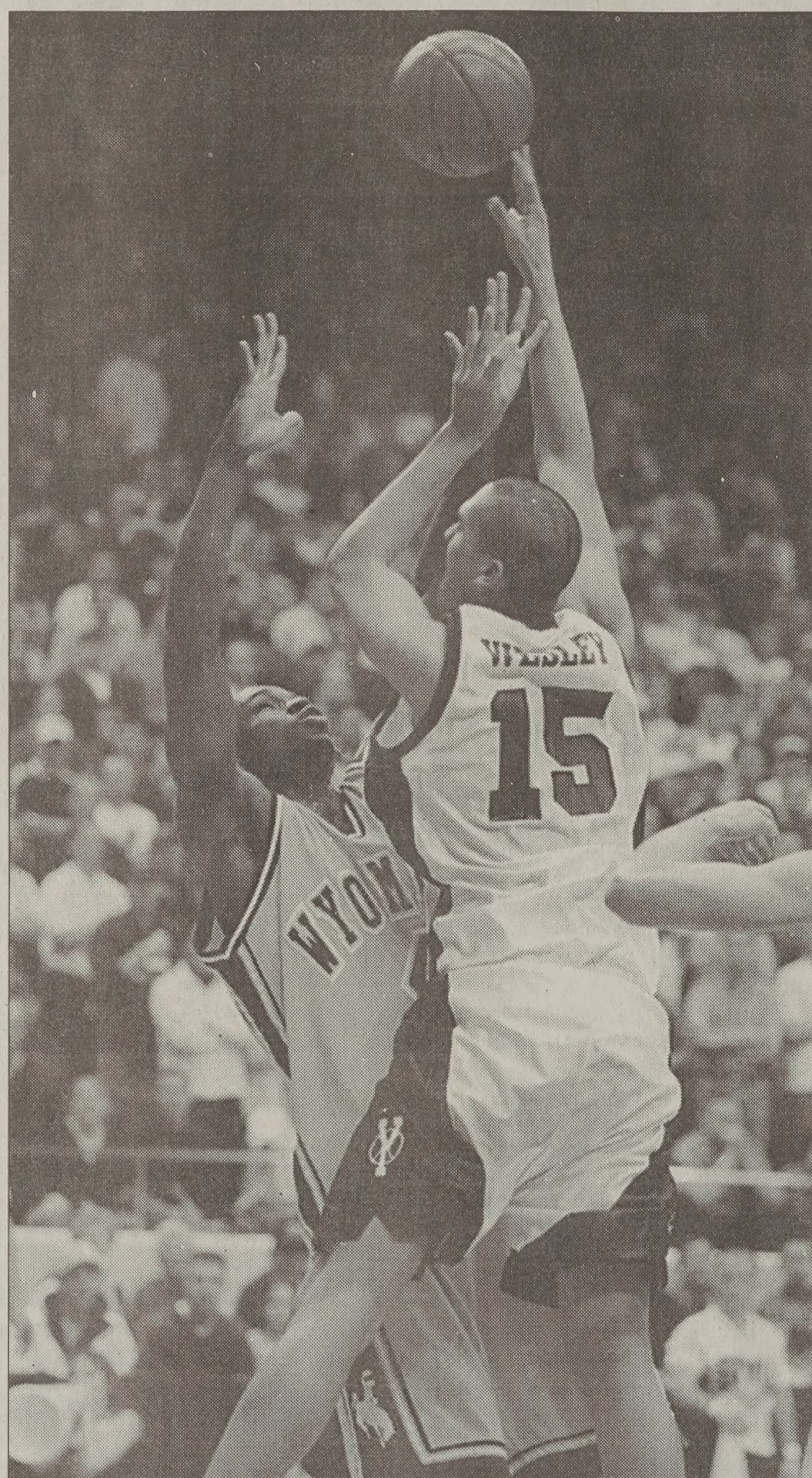
"Very few teams in the WAC will be as tough as our preseason schedule," Cleveland said. "That's why we've competed so well (the past two games). We play with a big heart."

BYU's next opponent is Colorado State. The Rams (12-3, 1-2) come to the Marriott Center Saturday for a 7:05 p.m. tip-off following last night's loss at Utah. Colorado State returns five senior starters and Cleveland said they are one of the best teams in the conference.

"They have an outstanding team," Cleveland said. "They are a lot like Utah, only they have quicker guards."

"We're a lot better when we hit our threes. It allows us to do things inside. We have a balanced attack."

-- Steve Cleveland
BYU head coach



Michael Brandy/Daily Universe

BYU's Mekeli Wesley shoots over Wyoming's Ugo Udezue during the first half of Thursday night's game. Wesley finished with 9 points in the Cougars' 60-41 blowout victory over the Cowboys.

Cougars lose close overtime despite Gallup's hot start

By CHELSEA LEINENBACH
Universe Sports Writer

The BYU women's basketball team lost a close game 81-75 Wednesday night against the Colorado Rams.

"The Cougars stayed close early, and trailed only 16-15 early in the first half. But the Cougars lapsed and the Rams took advantage with a 15-0 run. The team played better in the second half, but couldn't overcome the deficit."

"The team was really good down the stretch, they didn't give up and really kept fighting," said coach Trent Shippen. "But our intensity dropped. We needed to keep our intensity up the whole game, and not lower our heads and lose our confidence. We are going to miss some shots and make mistakes, but we need to still play with the same intensity."

The Cougars finished with a total of 27 turnovers compared to the Rams' 17. It ended a trend of low turnovers in recent games and was a main reason for the loss, Shippen said.

"We were doing better in the turnover situation the first three games but we reverted to our old ways which is something that we definitely need to improve on," Shippen said.

On a positive note, senior Kari Gallup broke the school record with seven three-point shots. For the night, she scored more points than the rest

of the starting team, totaling 31 points compared to the rest of the starters.

Angela Burgess came into the game to score 16 points and grabbed 16 rebounds in just 16 minutes.

"We really struggled tonight, but we pulled to be better at the end," Burgess said. "Obviously the second half needed some adjustments throughout the whole game."

The loss dropped the Cougars' record to 0-4. BYU has an 8-1 record winning in three of the last four games.

The Cougars play their next game, the Cowboys Saturday at the Marriott Center in Laramie.

The Cowboys are currently in 11th place in the WAC's Mountain Division with a 2-2 conference record before Thursday's game.

The Cougars and the Cowboys have similar overall records, with the Cougars standing at 5-9 and the Cowboys at 8-8 before Thursday's game.

Wyoming has averaged 68.5 points per game, and 2-0 in the games.

The Cougars can also find success in that they have won three times in the last four games, but haven't managed to pull out a win in the last two.

"Though their record is good, it's always a tough game," Shippen said.

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New York	20	16	.556	4.5	Houston	18	15	.545	—
Orlando	20	18	.526	5.5	Minnesota	19	16	.543	—
Washington	19	20	.487	7	Vancouver	10	28	.263	—
Boston	16	19	.457	8	Dallas	6	31	.162	—
Philadelphia	10	23	.303	13	Denver	2	33	.059	—
Central Division					Pacific Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB		W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	26	11	.703	—	Seattle	29	8	.781	—
Indiana	24	11	.686	1	LA Lakers	28	9	.757	—
Atlanta	24	12	.667	1.5	Phoenix	22	12	.646	—
Charlotte	22	14	.611	3.5	Portland	19	16	.543	—
Cleveland	21	14	.600	4	Sacramento	17	21	.444	—
Milwaukee	18	19	.486	8	LA Clippers	9	29	.232	—
Detroit	17	19	.472	8.5	Golden State	7	27	.206	—
Toronto	6	31	.162	20					

Women's gymnastics tumbles into season

By DAVE HERSAM
Universe Sports Writer

The BYU women's gymnastics team opens its season today at 2 p.m. with an intrasquad meet in the Smith Fieldhouse. The meet is free and open to the public.

"It should be fun," said coach Brad Cattermole. "It seems to have taken on a life of its own. It started out as an open practice, but seems to have grown and grown."

Besides attracting a crowd, the intrasquad meet has its benefits.

Erin Johnson, a junior from Sandy majoring in athletic training, and a team co-captain, said she thinks the meet will have a good atmosphere.

"It's basically a real meet with the judges and all, but not so nerve-racking," she said.

Co-captain Angie Gunnell-Andersen agrees.

"I'd rather get my jitters out in an intrasquad meet than in the first regular meet," said Andersen, a senior from Orem majoring in secondary education.

The meet also provides an opportunity for the team to practice in its home arena, which it is not normally

able to do. While home meets take place in the SFH or Marriott Center, practices take place in the gymnastics room of the SFH.

The unusual afternoon starting time was chosen so judges will be available. There is a regular meet at the University of Utah tonight that most judges will want to attend.

After finishing last season ranked 17th in the nation, the team begins this season with that same ranking.

"That's fine with me," Cattermole said. "I don't really pay attention to preseason rankings."

Between the 10th-ranked team and BYU, Cattermole pointed out, the difference is only three-tenths of a point, which in a meet can be a single wiggle or fall.

This year's team lost only one gymnast from last year, but that one, Kelli Rose, was a team leader and major contributor.

"We can't replace Kelli on the beam," Cattermole said, "but we're actually much, much stronger on the vault this year, stronger on the floor and as strong on bars."

"The team lost a lot in Kelli," Andersen said, "but we gained some really good freshmen."

"It's basically a real meet with the judges and all, but not so nerve-racking."

-- Erin Johnson

women's gymnastics team



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Jessica Young flies through the air as coach Brad Cattermole assists during a recent practice of her floor routine. BYU's gymnastics team opens its season today with an intrasquad meet.

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umper Melinda Hale warms up for an October practice. men's indoor track team begins its season with road at Idaho State and Utah State this weekend.

men's track and field season in Idaho

ANIE BRIDGE
Sports Writer

season is finally upon us, no slowing down this track and field team. On all but one of the indoor track and field meets, said head coach R. Five years ago when the team were freshmen, they only lost in the championship meet.

about to let that happen. The team is competing at Idaho State in the first meet of the season on Saturday the team will compete against Utah State. Poole said he never predicted his team will do, but about the coming season.

very high expectations. The team is one of the best teams in the country, Poole said.

about the strength of the team, Poole said he did not know he was only worried about the team was preparing for the first meet.

team is very excited, said Milena.

Alver, who competes in the 55-meter dash, 200-meter dash and the long jump.

"The objective of the first two meets is to see what the team has and give us experience," Poole said. "No one should be expecting great times, we're not ready to run them yet. The team just wants to get back into a competition mode."

"I'm excited to see where I am and start the season," said Liz Benson, who competes in the 800-meter run.

The team seems to echo that feeling. It wants to go out, have fun and gain competition experience. In Trackwire Magazine's preseason rankings, BYU is tied with the University of Florida for No. 3 in the nation. But at the beginning of the season anything is possible.

"It's the first meet and you never know, I haven't competed for a long time so it's good to see where I am right now," Alver said.

One team member to watch is Tiffany Lott, the world record holder and defending national champion in the 55-meter hurdles. Others include All-Americans Amy Christiansen in the shot put, Melinda Hale in the high jump and Windy Jorgensen in sprints.

Looking ahead in the indoor season, the Cougars begin to work hard the first week in February, Poole said. Some big meets are the Husker Invitational Feb. 13-14, and ISU Feb. 14. The WAC Indoor Championships will take place at the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo., Feb. 26-28.

Changes in store for baseball's playoff format

Associated Press

PHOENIX — Baseball's executive council approved changes to the post-season format Wednesday night, giving more advantages to the teams with the best regular-season records.

Teams with the top records — excluding the wild cards — will have the home-field advantage in the first two rounds of the playoffs, under the resolution approved by the council. The teams with the best records in the first round will have the home fields in Games 1, 2 and, if necessary, 5.

Until now, the teams with the home-field advantage in the first two rounds have been designated before the season. In the first round, the team with the home-field advantage was the host for games 3-5 after playing the first two games on the road. In the second round, the team with home-field advantage will continue to be the host for Games 1, 2, 6 and 7.

The changes must be approved by all owners, who next meet from March 17-19 at St. Petersburg, Fla. No opposition appears to exist.

In addition, the changes must be approved by the players' association, Fox, NBC and ESPN.

Meanwhile, acting commissioner Bud Selig repeated that the Minnesota Twins cannot survive without a new stadium, then sidestepped questions about whether that guarantees a move to North Carolina for the 1999 season.

"There's no question that North Carolina is a great area. It will be an extraordinarily attractive area someday for a big league baseball team," Selig said after the council's 4-plus hour meeting.

The Minnesota Legislature missed a Nov. 30 deadline to approve a stadium financing plan to keep the Twins, and North Carolina voters will be asked to vote May 5 on two new taxes that would bankroll part of a \$210 million stadium to land them.

But Selig said the vote in North Carolina's Triad area was beside the

point.

"That is not an issue," he said. "That is not going to affect what happens in Minnesota."

The council, all that remained of a full owners meeting that Selig canceled last week, met earlier in committees to discuss the proposed franchise move and the pending sale of the Los Angeles Dodgers to Fox Sports, a division of Rupert Murdoch's News Corp.

North Carolina businessman Don Beaver hopes to acquire the Twins and move them to the Triad area around Greensboro — about 90 minutes either direction from Raleigh and Charlotte.

Twins owner Carl Pohlad signed a letter of intent last year to sell to Beaver, but left the door open to stay put if Minnesota legislators agreed to subsidize construction of a new stadium.

Without a binding agreement, other owners will not act.

"The ball is in their court to come back with something," Pohlad said. "We haven't offered anything yet. The ball is in the court of the Legislature; it's up to them."

Atlanta Braves chairman Bill

Bartholomay, the ownership committee chairman, expects to have a recommendation before the next owners meeting.

"(Dodgers owner) Peter O'Malley addressed the committee and discussed some open items that need to be resolved," Bartholomay said.

He acknowledged that many owners wish the Twins would stay in Minneapolis.

"I can't imagine the Twin Cities without major league baseball, but on the other hand, the realities suggest that they have to address the stadium issue and the level of support," Bartholomay said.

Tom Schieffer, who will stay on as president of the Texas Rangers despite the proposed sale of the franchise to Tom Hicks, echoed the comment.

"I think everybody would like to see baseball prosper where it is, but you certainly can't ask anybody just to continue to lose money in one place," Schieffer said. "My individual preference would be hopefully to see something work out. But if it can't, I know the folks in Charlotte are good people and would do a good job."



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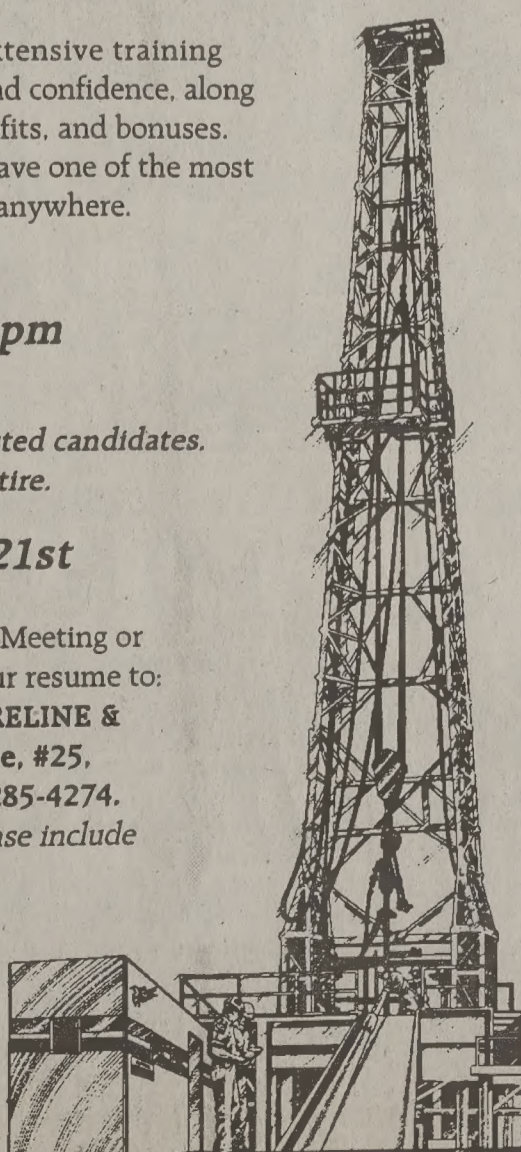
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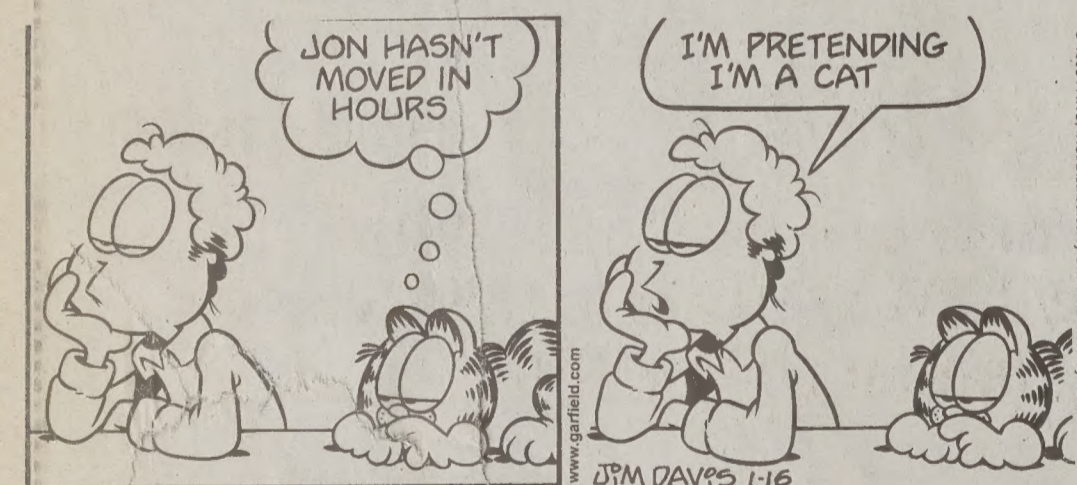
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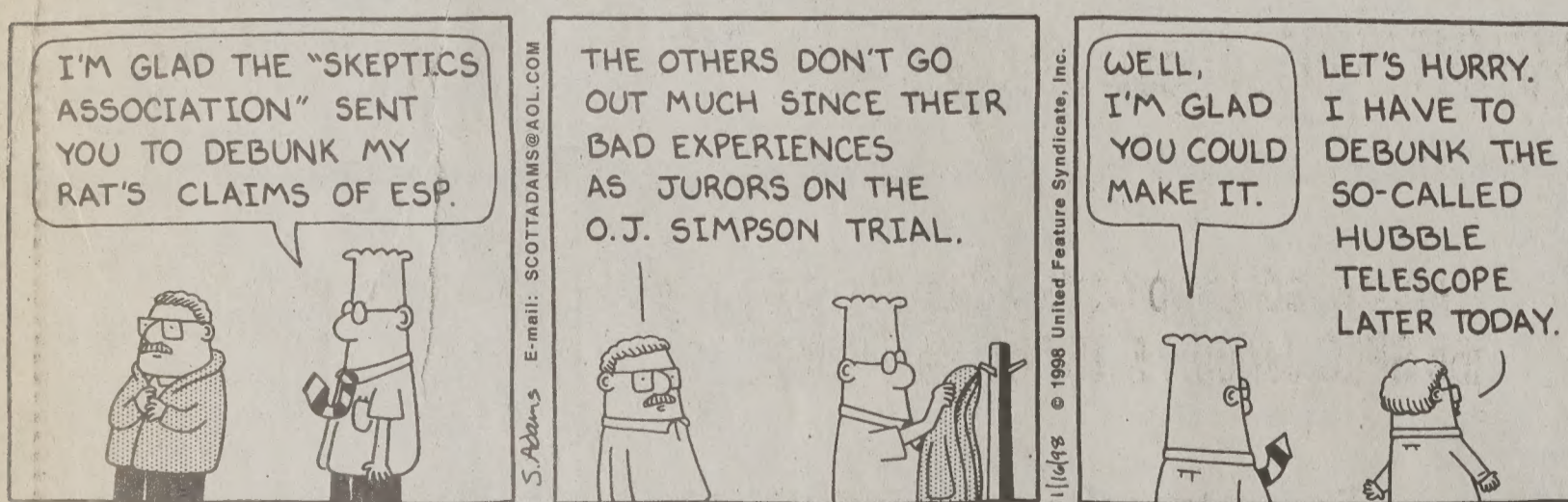
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Father attacks suspect

Associated Press

PRICE — The father of an alleged sex abuse victim punched a sodomy suspect before courtroom deputies could restrain him.

A Carbon County court bailiff and two sheriff's deputies pounced on Jordan Wakefield, who continued to struggle toward Michael Doporto, a former neighbor accused of sodomizing his daughter nine years ago.

"The father just couldn't handle it anymore and jumped out of his seat," said chief deputy Mike Martinez. "It took three of us to hold him down. He is a strong son of a gun who let his emotions get the best of him."

The sheriff's office had added security for Wednesday's hearing in Price, which was attended by about 40 people. It proved insufficient to stop Wakefield.

At a hearing determined to see if a

plea agreement was plausible, Wakefield rushed Doporto from behind as Wakefield's daughter broke down during her testimony.

"I was talking to the judge and everybody was crying, and when I started to cry my dad couldn't take it anymore," said Azure Wakefield, 16. "He took off and grabbed (Doporto) from the back and as soon as (Doporto) looked back my dad hit him between the eyes - split his forehead apart right down the middle."

Doporto was treated at Castleview Hospital before being sent home. "He knocked me completely out," Doporto said.

Wakefield was arrested on suspicion of assault. Later, deputies released him on his own recognizance.

After his release, Wakefield was taken to Castleview, where doctors discovered two broken bones in his right hand.

It's been nine years since Doporto allegedly sodomized then 7-year-old Azure Wakefield, who was spending the night with Doporto's daughter. At the time, the families lived one house apart.

Doporto was convicted of child sodomy in 1993 and was serving a 15-years-to-life sentence, when Utah's Supreme Court sent the case back to a lower court for a new trial in January 1997.

In a split opinion, the justices ruled that testimony from two girls who accused Doporto of sexually assaulting them should not have been allowed at trial.

Doporto was released in 1997 pending a new trial.

Seventh District Judge Lyle Anderson reconvened the hearing after the brief skirmish and completed testimony with Doporto and Jordan Wakefield absent.

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Associated Press

NEW YORK — They were clever enough to penetrate the World Trade Center's tight security, clever enough to grab a \$1 million Brink's payroll. But then the three bandits turned out to be dumb, dumber and dumbest.

They pulled off their ski masks before walking past hidden security cameras, and within hours their faces were all over TV and the newspapers. Then they went home to their close-knit Brooklyn neighborhood, where dozens of people called the police.

"Me and my friend Joey opened the newspaper and said, 'Holy cow! There's Mikey!'" said Bill Stout, who tends bar at a neighborhood tavern.

They called a police hot line, "but apparently 50 or 60 people beat us to it," Stout said.

By Thursday, one of the three suspects was in FBI custody.

One of the men made no attempt to conceal himself in the neighborhood and even got a haircut.

"He just walked in here and sat down and asked for a haircut," said barber Louis Amato. "I was really shocked and surprised when I found out (about the robbery). I didn't think he acted like someone who had just robbed a big bank."

Police withheld the men's names pending the filing of charges.

The three accosted two Brink's guards on their way to a Bank of

America foreign currency office in one of the Twin Towers during Tuesday's morning rush hour. Flashing a gun, they handcuffed and bound the guards and five other people on the elevator, snatched three bags of money from a cart and fled.

Many called the police to say they recognized the three as men who lived in or frequented the Windsor Terrace neighborhood.

"Calls are still coming in," police spokesman Michael Collins said Thursday.

Residents described two of the suspects as locals with drug habits and minor criminal records who hung around street corners and sometimes performed odd jobs. Some said the third man was a stranger.

"They're like the gang that couldn't shoot straight," said Stout, who claimed to have known two of the suspects since high school. "We didn't think they could pull off something like this, not of this magnitude."

The New York-New Jersey Port Authority, which owns the Twin Towers, declined to say how the bandits managed to foil the tight security which has been in force since the World Trade Center was bombed in 1993. Visitors are required to sign in at lobby checkpoints and get passes for specific offices before boarding elevators.

Port Authority Spokesman Alan Hicks said the FBI is investigating the security breach.

Asia's stocks fall

Associated Press

HONG KONG — Asian stock markets were mixed today: Seoul soared but Hong Kong plunged, dragging down other nervous markets.

Despite a new Indonesian deal, Hong Kong's key market index retreated sharply Thursday, plunging 7 percent amid profit-taking and concerns about the financial health of a major property developer, Sino Land Co.

Hong Kong's plunge prompted a 0.35 percent slide on Taiwan's main index and kept investors sidelined in Sydney, where the index fell 0.8 percent. Singapore dropped 0.7 percent, New Zealand's index fell 1 percent, Malaysia was off 2.1 percent, and the Thai market fell 1 percent.

Although Jakarta's market opened higher, it closed off 4.1 percent as traders' optimism faded.

But Seoul's benchmark index soared 6.5 percent and the won rose sharply against the U.S. dollar.

Manila's main index also rose 1.2 percent.

Researchers help hearts with genes

Associated Press

K — When surgeons bypass on a 60-year-old member, they knew they did not completely help it.

Doctors at the New York Heart Medical Center tried new. In addition to the re-established blood in two blocked arteries, an area of the heart with a gene that would of VEGF, a protein, could spur the heart into blood vessels.

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They're not alone. Collateral Therapeutics, a San Diego biotechnology company, plans to start experiments in people in February. Both the San Diego company and a third team of researchers will use non-surgical techniques to plant the genes.

Supporters of the gene therapy approach may get their first human results from Dr. Seppo Yla-Herttuala of the University of Kuopio in Finland, who has been treating heart patients since late 1996.

Yla-Herttuala enclosed gene copies in fatty bubbles and slipped them into the coronary arteries of his patients. His strategy has two goals.

He hopes that gene copies, upon integration with the artery walls, will discourage further clogging. Other gene copies, carried by blood flow to the heart muscle, are expected to spur the growth of new blood vessels.

Clinton, GOP disagree decennial census

Associated Press

TON — When science collide with politics, the politicians.

aren't going to relent in on to the use of statistical techniques to count other Americans in the 2000

Clinton will challenge his State of the Union check from Tuesday, as he with a veto.

a two-front struggle now: is coming at the head of Bureau, where he'll need in the GOP Senate for a

is sure to be someone ts the use of sampling old-fashioned head count-census, and that will stir opposition to confirma-

a system endorsed in a e last census by the ademy of Sciences, to use mpling to account for up ent of the population.

Statisticians, academics, the Census Bureau and the president all favor that course, as a way to get a more accurate count than in 1990.

That census missed an estimated 4 million Americans, mostly lower-income city dwellers and minorities. All are likely Democratic voters.

The decennial census is the basis for congressional reapportionment and for allocation of about \$150 billion in federal aid.

Opponents contend the use of sampling risks rigging of the numbers and say the census should be in strict keeping with the Constitution, which specifies enumeration of the population every 10th year.

Sampling could give Democrats an advantage because the people likely to be missed are most likely their constituents.

In dealing with appropriations, in court and in confirmation of a new census boss, the Republicans will press their case against sampling. Since preparing for the census is a long-term exercise, the longer it takes to settle the dispute, the more likely the Republicans will get it their way.

Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

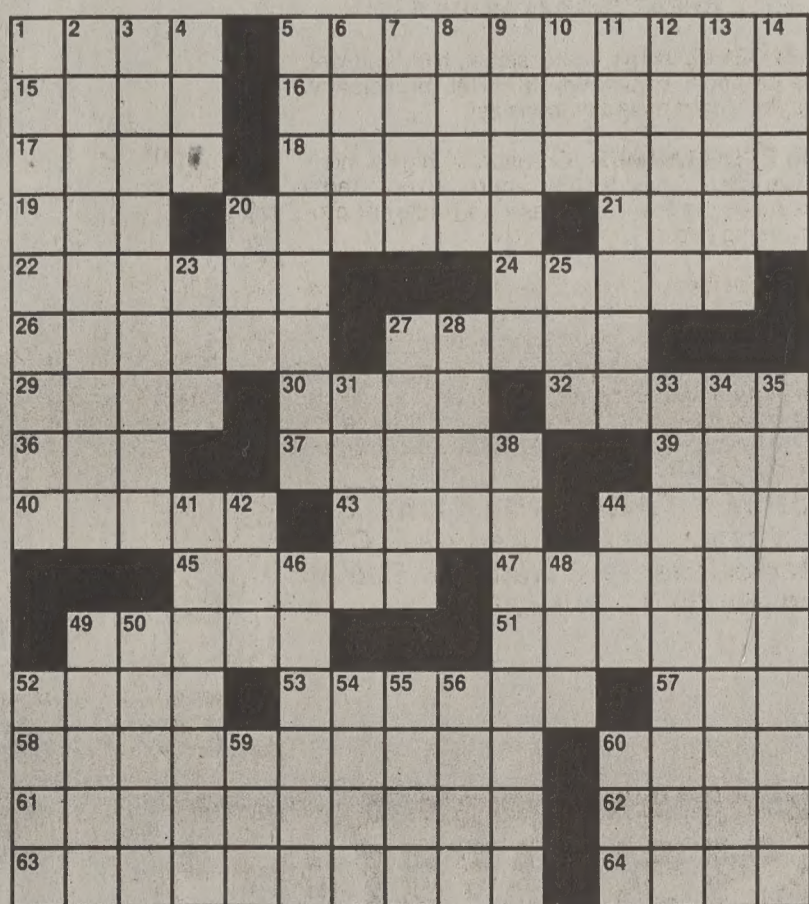
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27 Actress Bissett of "Melrose Place"
29 Soundly beat
30 Sophocles tragedy
32 Makes the cut?
36 Frangipane ingredient
37 Long tresses
39 Doc of the bay?
40 Secretaries
43 Rouge roulette number
44 One of Spot's masters
45 Escapades
47 British Commonwealth member
49 Artist Rivera
51 Stroller
52 "Why not?"

53 Some decongestants
57 Elizabethan
58 Entry words?
60 Pet
61 They may be good for singles
62 Cooper's tool
63 Only hypothetical
64 Encouraging words

DOWN

1 Brisk
2 Bodyguards, personal hairdressers, etc.
3 Periods of grief
4 "What else...?"
5 Oversize wine bottle
6 State
7 Informal title of respect
8 Kind of socks
9 Block houses?
10 Sniggler's wriggler
11 Like soccer shoes
12 Language in 22-Across
13 Ruins National Monument, N.M.
14 Monster's home
20 Many college grads
23 Drink at a diner
25 USA Today chart



Puzzle by Craig Kasper and Dave Tuller

27 Singer Ian
28 Conestoga haulers
31 It's an honor
33 Three-time U.S. Open champ
34 Pound, perhaps
35 Chemical salts
38 Most conservative
41 Tear sheet?
42 Decline
43 Left or right
46 Players without fixed positions

48 Ford alternatives
49 "The Purloined Letter" detective
50 Hit 1919 musical revived in 1973
52 Arias, usually
54 "..." happens
55 Asphalt
56 Sudden break in the clouds, say
59 80's military units.
60 Paulo or Pedro, e.g.

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ESL teaches acceptance

By **ALYSIA ANDREWS**
Universe Staff Writer

Non-English speaking students are discovering success in the Alpine School District in the English-as-a-Second Language program.

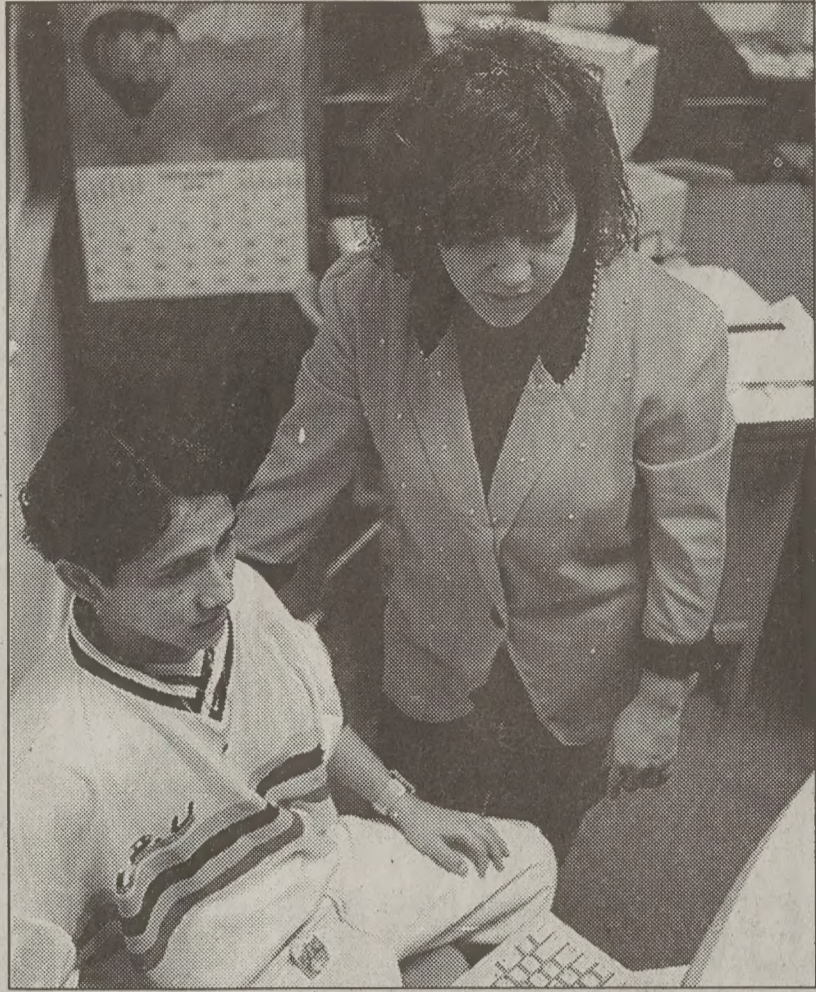
Three years ago, eight Utah school districts were evaluated by the Office of Civil Rights and were found not to be in compliance with national standards. Though the Alpine school district was not one of the counties evaluated, the district has plunged ahead these past two years to offer ESL students an equitable education.

"In the past couple of years we have grown in numbers of LEP (Limited English Proficiency) students. We had 768 two years ago. We currently are at 1440," said Sylvia Saldana, the bilingual-ESL program coordinator for the Alpine school district.

In addition to struggling with language, ESL students face intolerance for their culture, said Gabriele Saavedra, an ESL student from Mexico.

Saavedra said she has experienced discrimination. A classmate asked her to do something, but when she realized Saavedra was of a different culture, the classmate said, "never mind."

"I think a lot of it has to do with intolerance and a bit of discrimination in some cases," Saldana said. "I don't think it is intentional on any-



From left, Alex Delzo, a student from Peru, learns English at Orem High School. Delzo's ESL teacher, Ms. Carrasquillo, is from Puerto Rico.

Fred J. McGuire/Daily Universe

one's part. I think it is just lack of training."

To combat discrimination against ESL students, the Alpine school district has developed special programs that train teachers to identify and deal with intolerance by encouraging a greater appreciation for different cultures.

To better facilitate the needs of the

ESL students, every school in the Alpine school district has a diversity specialist to identify ESL students' needs and consult with teachers on how to fulfill such needs.

"Acceptance is a very important part," Saldana said. "If a child feels accepted by teachers and their peers, that child has almost a 100 percent guarantee of success."

No return of gay protection ordinance

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Mayor Deedee Corradini will not veto the City Council's repeal of a month-old ordinance prohibiting discrimination against gay city employees.

"We haven't seen any evidence that we needed that law in the first place," Ken Connaughton, the mayor's spokesman, said Wednesday. "This is a policy issue. The council deals with policy. The mayor is comfortable leaving that decision up to the council."

The mayor has 15 days to sign the council's repeal, reverse it or let it take effect without her signature. A two-thirds - or at least 5-2 - council vote would be required to overturn a veto.

The repeal passed Tuesday night by a 4-3 margin.

Thursday, Salt Lake County Commissioner Randy Horiuchi joined those urging Corradini to reconsider,

saying a similar statute enacted by the county in 1992 had proved "helpful to our personnel and management functions."

David Nelson, a gay activist, said it was "premature at this point to focus on anything beyond the mayor's duty to let this repeal take effect or veto it."

"She's charged with protecting the integrity of the work environment for her employees. She has a responsibility. I hope she takes it seriously," Nelson said.

The four councilmen who voted to repeal the law say they intend to replace it with a generic ordinance that protects all employees equally. They asked city attorneys to draft the law in the next 60 days.

City Attorney Roger Cutler said he has never seen any employee complaints of discrimination based on sexual orientation.

"The state and everyone else seems to manage life without having such a policy," Cutler said.

FBI investigates Labor Secretary

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Labor Secretary Alexis Herman is being investigated over allegations of corruption in office — the second member of President Clinton's Cabinet under Justice Department scrutiny, law enforcement officials say.

The department's public integrity section and FBI agents assigned to the department's campaign finance task force are conducting an inquiry into Herman that could lead to appointment of an independent counsel, officials said Wednesday. But no connection to campaign financing could be learned immediately.

The allegations concern the improper use of Herman's influence while she was a White House aide during 1994-96.

Allegations include helping someone obtain a Federal Communications Commission license for a satellite telephone system, according to ABC News, which first reported the story.

Speaking on the steps of the Labor Department Thursday, Herman said she realized the Justice Department was obligated to investigate. She said she accepted that as part of the job.

"I want you to know that these allegations aren't true," Herman said. She said she informed her staff: "We will not be distracted by this."

"The allegations against Secretary Herman are just not true," her attorney, Neil Eggleston, said Wednesday

night. "We have not been contacted by the Justice Department. If we are, we'll provide whatever information they need to help put this matter to rest."

At the White House, press secretary Mike McCurry said: "The president continues to have full faith and confidence in Secretary of Labor Alexis Herman. We are confident the Justice Department will conduct its review of the facts and make its decision based on the law."

Law enforcement officials said the Herman case was in a 90-day preliminary inquiry under the independent counsel act and the inquiry was due to end next month. At that time, the Justice inquiry will either be extended for 60 days or dropped for lack of evidence or, if further investigation is needed, Attorney General Janet Reno will ask a special court to select an independent counsel to do a full investigation.

ABC said the allegations were brought to the government last October by Laurent Yene, a 42-year-old businessman from Africa.

Yene told investigators and ABC that he, Herman and one of Herman's close friends began a secret arrange-

ment to use her White House influence. Herman, then the assistant to Clinton and head of the public liaison office, said she did not know the arrangement.

Allegations that Herman used her influence to obtain a contract for a former business partner faced last year during her confirmation battle. Herman denied wrongdoing was uncovered in the investigation.

The Herman friend, named in the schemed, was seeking an FCC license in a matter of a falling out over business. Personal matters, ABC reported.

McCurry said Yene was seeking a "wide variety of services" against Herman. "Many" names were not most of them, were mentioned in the confirmation process at the White House, by the Justice Department and perhaps in the Senate committee. The confirmation hearing was the latest charge was a new charge.

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